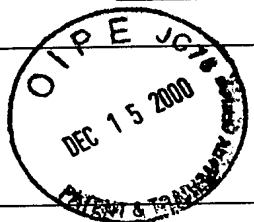


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Sir:

This is a request for filing a XX Continuation, or      Divisional application under 37 CFR 1.53(d), (continued prosecution application (CPA)) of pending prior application, Serial No. 09/082,557 filed on May 21, 1998 by Daniel Becker and Michael Steve Klicek for ELECTROSURGICAL GENERATOR POWER CONTROL CIRCUIT AND METHOD.

The above identified prior application in which no payment of the issue fee, abandonment of, or termination of proceedings has occurred, is hereby expressly abandoned as of the filing date of this new application (Note: Required for 37 CFR 1.53(d) requests).

This shall constitute a request to utilize the file jackets' contents of the prior application including the specification, drawings, and oath or declaration from the prior application to constitute the new application and to assign the new application the serial number of the prior application identified above for identification purposes.

Applicant(s): Becker et al.  
Application No.: 09/082,557  
Title: ELECTROSURGICAL GENERATOR POWER CONTROL CIRCUIT AND METHOD  
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1.      Enter the amendment previously filed on                      under 37 CFR 1.116 but unentered, in the prior application.

2. XXX An Information Disclosure Statement w/references is enclosed.

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5. XXX A check in the amount of \$ 992.00 for the filing fee is enclosed.

6. XXX The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 which may be required with this communication or during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to **Deposit Account No. 01-0467**. A duplicate copy of this Form is enclosed.

7. XXX The inventors of this application are the XXX same as; \_\_\_\_\_ fewer than those in the prior application.

8. \_\_\_\_\_ Please delete \_\_\_\_\_ as inventor(s) in this application.

9. The power of attorney in the prior application is to: Charles N. J. Ruggiero

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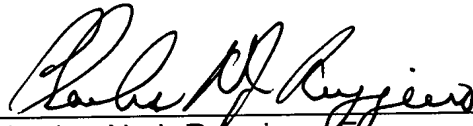
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10. XXX Priority of U.S. Application Serial No. 09/082,557 filed on May 21, 1998, which is a continuation of U.S. Application Serial No. 08/533,891 filed on September 26, 1995 and which issued as Patent No. 5,772,659, is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §120.

It is understood that secrecy under 35 U.S.C. 122 is hereby waived to the extent that if information or access is available to any one of the applications in the file wrapper of a 37 CFR 1.62 application, be it either this application or a prior application in the same file wrapper, the Patent and Trademark Office may provide similar information or access to all the other applications in the same file wrapper.

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